IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hongchang Bao

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 15, 2006, having a threemonth shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 15, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.